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ADVERTISEMENT INFORMATION, ADVERTISEMENT PROVIDING METHOD,  
ADVERTISEMENT OBTAINING METHOD, ADVERTISEMENT DISTRIBUTING  
METHOD AND PROGRAM THEREFOR

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